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SUBJECT: DOL SEMINAR

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- 1. DOL CONCURS WITH NOVEMBER 21-25 SEMINAR DATES, SUBJECT MATTER, AND WELCOMES OPPORTUNITY TO CONDUCT SEMINAR, ONCE AGAIN, WITH GOP.
- 2. REFTEL PARA 1, DOL ASSUMES THAT GOP IS REFERRING TO AIR POLLUTION MEASUREMENT AT THE WORKSITE. SINCE THESE MATTERS CROSS SEVERAL U.S. AGENCIES RESPONSIBILITIES WE PROPOSE ONLY TO ATTEMPT, TO COVER WORKSITE AIR POLLUTION PROBLEMS RATHER THAN GENERAL AIR POLLUTION PROBLEMS.
- 3. SINCE TRAVEL, DISTANCE AND BUDGET ARE FACTORS IN ANY UNCLASSIFIED

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MISSION, DOL ASKS POST TO ATTEMPT TO ARRANGE ADDITIONAL PROGRAM WITH GOP WHEREBY U.S. TEAM CAN VISIT OTHER

PHILIPPINE INSTITUTIONS THAT DEAL WITH AIR POLLUTION AND THERE-BY PROVIDE U. S. TEAM MORE OPPORTUNITIES TO TALK

AND DISSEMINATE INFO TO LARGER PHILIPPINE WORKER AND

MANAGEMENT SAFETY AUDIENCE. A SOURCE OF PROGRAM ACTIVITY MIGHT BE WITH THE TRADE UNIONS WITH AALC ASSISTANCE. THIS COULD BE DONE EITHER BEFORE OR AFTER DOL FORMAL SEMINAR PRESENTATIONS BUT PREFERABLY BEFORE.

- 4. DOL WILL REQUEST EXPERTS FROM OSHA AND OR NIOSH OR AS PART OF U.S. TEAM HOWEVER A PRELIMINARY DISCUSSION WITH OSHA INDICATE EXPERTS FROM OTHER SECTORS MAY BE OF MORE VALUE.
- 5. TOPICS DO SUGGEST NEED FOR MODERN INSTRUMENTATION, HOWEVER DOL WILL BE GUIDED BY OSHA AND NIOSH, UNLESS GOP CAN SUPPLY LIST OF EQUIPMENT IN WHICH THEY ARE PARTICULARLY INTERESTED.
- 6. CAN POST PROVIDE MORE INFO ABOUT SEMINAR AUDIENCES MAKE UP ARE THEY: GOVERNMENT, PRIVATE OR ACADEMIC AND AT WHAT PROFESSIONAL LEVELS. PLEASE ADVISE?
- 7. DOL NOT SURE GOP UNDERSTANDS LIMITATIONS DOL SEMINAR PROGRAM AND WITH THIS IN MIND DOL ASKS EMBASSY ASSISTANCE IN CLARIFYING FOR FUTURE ACTIVITIES.

DOL SEMINAR PROGRAM IS FUNDED BY USIA AND IS THEREFORE INFORMATION PROGRAM, AND NOT A TRAINING OR TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM. IT IS PRIMARILY DESIGNED TO TELL UNCLASSIFIED

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THE ROLE OF U.S. WORKERS IN ECONOMIC, SOCIAL, CULTURAL AFFAIRS AND BY SO DOING CREATING A POSITIVE IMAGE OF THE U.S. PEOPLE. CONSEQUENTLY IT IS DESIRABLE THAT ANY U.S. TEAM BE EXPOSED TO AS MANY OF THEIR PEERS AS PRACTICLE. IT IS ALSO IMPORTANT FOR REASONS MENTIONED IN PARAGRAPH THREE.

8. REFTEL PAR. 3 DOL LOOKS FORWARD TO REPORT ON INCOMING LETTER COVERING MEDIATION AND CONCILIATION NEEDS. VANCE

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